



# Response to Intervention for English Learners in Tier 1:

## Focus on Literacy

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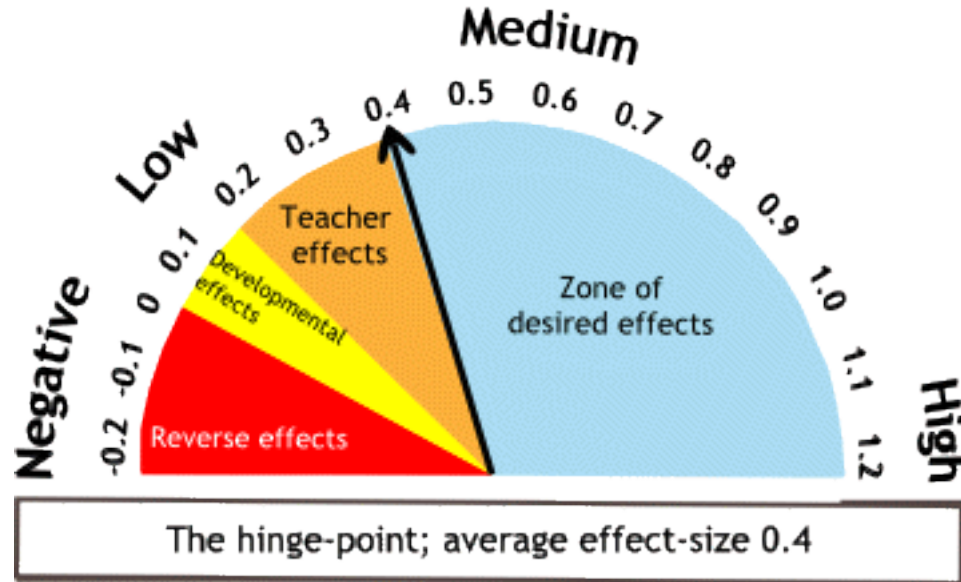
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# Welcome and Introduction

By the end of this session, you will be able to:

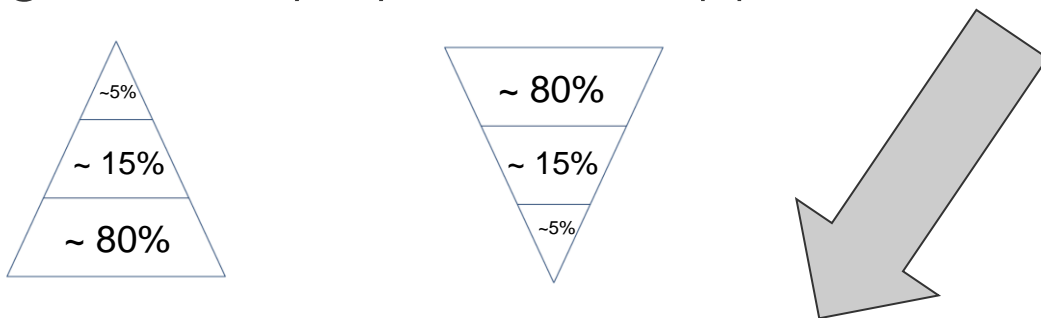
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# Effect Sizes



# Response to Intervention (RtI) = 1.07 Effect Size

RtI = Timely, Targeted, Early, Systematic Support

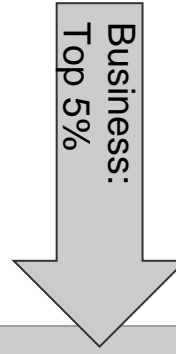


Tier 1= Effective Instruction of Grade-Level Essential Curriculum

Tier 2= Supplemental Support in Meeting Critical Outcomes

Tier 3= Intensive Instruction on Foundational Skills

# Effective Tier 1 Instruction = The Three Ps



**PLCs**

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**Programs**

+

**Practices**

- What is it we want students to learn?
- How will we determine if students have learned it?
- What will we do when students don't learn it?
- What will we do when students do learn it?

Adoption and Use of an  
Evidence-Based Curriculum

The pedagogies and  
methodologies that have the  
best chance of helping  
students learn at higher levels

(Gregory, Kaufeldt, Mattos)

→ Data Teaming Process

# Literacy Defined

- The ultimate goal of literacy instruction is to build a student's comprehension, writing skills, and overall skills in communication.

# Best Practices Defined

**Effective First-Time Instruction**  
Teaching Strategies = 0.62 Effect Size

**The Science  
of Teaching**

x

**The Art  
of Teaching**

x

**Differentiation for  
Individual Student  
Needs**

Evidence-based best  
practices

Knowing when and  
with whom to use  
those evidence-based  
practices

Not every student  
learns at the same  
pace in the same way

# Best Practices

<b>Three Distinct Categories of Best Practices</b>		
Creating Climate	Helping Students Develop Understanding	Helping Students Extend and Apply Knowledge



# A Menu of Tier 1 Instructional Best Practices for English Learners

<b>Creating Classroom Climate</b>	<b>Helping Students Develop Understanding</b>	<b>Helping Students Extend and Apply Knowledge</b>
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# Creating Classroom Climate

## **Creating Classroom Climate**

- Learning Targets → Guiding Questions
- Teacher/Student Talk Ratio
- Metacognitive Strategies
- Growth Mindset Feedback

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### Learning Targets → Guiding Questions

- Learning targets identify what students will learn and be able to do by the end of the lesson
- Feasible, measurable, and comprehensible to students
- Developed as the core of the lesson and shared with students
- Students transform into guiding questions

# Learning Targets → Guiding Questions

We will determine the  
main idea of an  
informational text.

How do we determine  
the main idea of an  
informational text?

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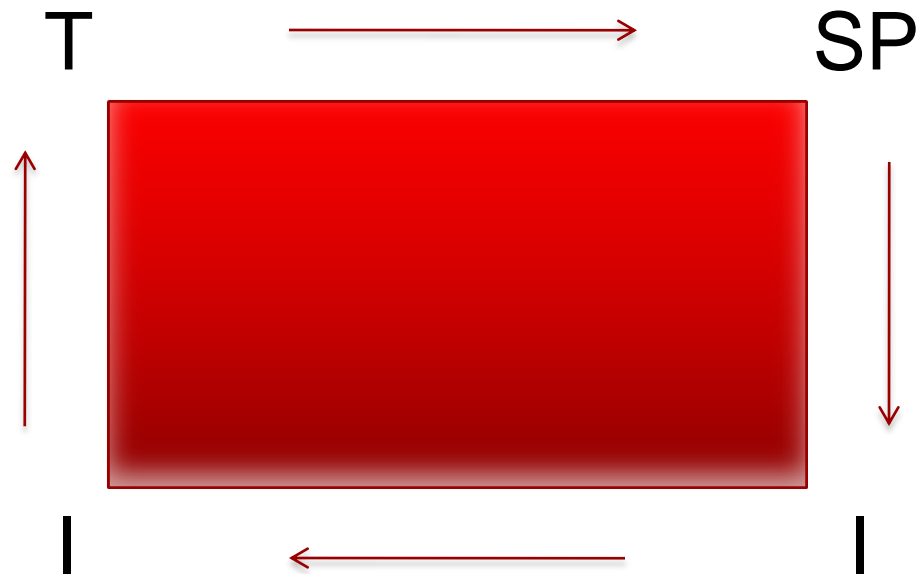
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### Teacher/Student Talk Ratio

- Ensuring that students are doing as much of the intellectual work and having the most engaging experience as possible in class
  - Students producing their way to higher levels of language and content area proficiency
  - Evident in a balance between teacher production and student production
- Segmented Instruction

Teacher /  
Student  
Talk Ratio



# Table Task



- What are the student benefits of these two practices?
- What are the teacher benefits of these two practices?

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## Creating Classroom Climate

### Metacognitive Strategies

- “Big thinking” or thinking about thinking
- Examining the thinking process = questioning + visualizing + synthesizing
- Teachable and can lead to improvement in students’ achievement
- Metacognitive modeling requires the use of physical and mental action verbs



# Metacognitive Strategies

Metacognition... A Three-Part Process

1. Develop a Plan (Questioning)
2. Monitor Understanding (Questioning + Visualizing)
3. Evaluate Thinking (Synthesizing)

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### Growth Mindset Feedback

- Stanford University Psychologist Carol Dweck (2006)
  - Fixed Mindset: the personal belief that they are either intelligent or not
  - Growth Mindset: the personal belief that intelligence can increase over time as the brain changes and grows.
  - From THE PIT to GRIT
- *Effort Praise* rather than *Intelligence Praise*

# Table Talk

- Out of these four practices, what is one you feel is a strength of yours? Which practice do you want to develop or refine when you return to your site/district?

# Helping Students Develop Understanding

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Strategic Vocabulary Development</li><li>- Summarizing</li><li>- Paraphrasing</li><li>- Joint Construction of Meaning</li></ul>

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# Helping Students Develop Understanding

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## Helping Students Develop Understanding

### Vocabulary Development

- 300 per year – 60 per content area per year – 10 per content area per week
  - Focus on mainly tier two words or phrasal clusters to help ELs begin their *reading* journey
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- Vocabulary Awareness Chart
  - Frayer Model

# Strategic Vocabulary Development: Vocabulary Awareness Chart

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Vocabulary Awareness Chart</b>				
Vocabulary for: _____				
Word	Know it well- can explain it	Heard it or seen it before	No clue	Notes/ Definitions
1. deforestation				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				
6.				

# Strategic Vocabulary Development: Frayer Model

## **Vocabulary**

Definition:		Synonyms:	
Visual:	deforestation	Antonyms:	

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## Helping Students Develop Understanding

### Summarizing

- One of the most underused teaching techniques today, yet research has shown that it yields some of the greatest leaps in comprehension and long-term retention of information
  - Both a cognitively and linguistically challenging task
- The GIST
  - Magnet Summaries



# Summarizing: The GIST

Topic:

Main Idea:

Key Words or Phrases:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

The GIST:

_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____.

# Summarizing: Magnet Summaries

Word Bank:

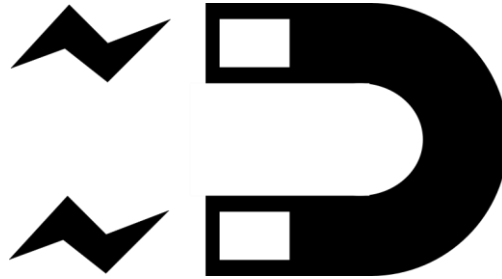
Protection

Tropical rain forest

Endangered

Deforestation

Preserving



3-5 Sentence Summary:

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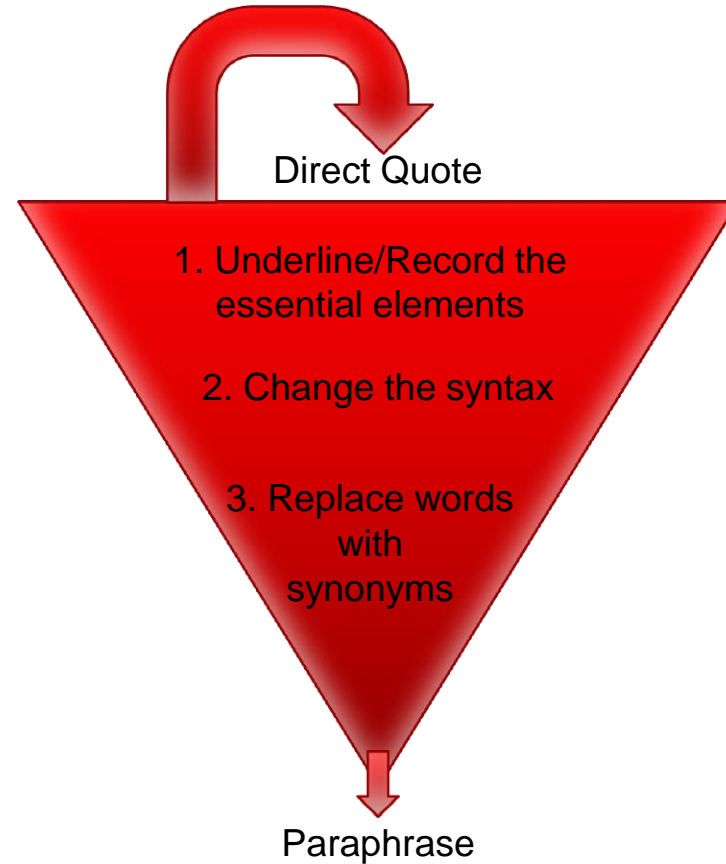
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### Paraphrasing

- Gives students opportunities to get a deeper understanding of the text, to make connections to what they already know, and to enhance remembering
- Incorporates reading, writing, listening, and speaking - activating the brain's frontal lobe and leading to a fuller comprehension of the text


➤ Funnel Method

# Paraphrasing: The Funnel Method



## A Forest in Danger

Since 1970, more than 232,000 square miles of the Amazon rain forest have been destroyed. That is nearly the size of Texas! The destruction has **endangered**<sup>3</sup> many animal species. Experts predict that the continued **deforestation**, or clearing of trees, at this rate would endanger the entire region by 2050.



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### Joint Construction of Meaning

- Triads and Shadow Reading
- Student Pair Reading
- Silent Reading with Peer Summary
- Reciprocal Teaching
  - Magnet Summaries using Tier 2 and Tier 3 words



# Joint Construction of Meaning: Triads and Shadow Reading

1. Students work in groups of three

***Team Member A***

***Team Member B (Pre-Emergent)***

***Team Member C***

2. Team Member A and C alternate reading sentences aloud while Team Member B tracks the text

OR

Team Member A and C alternate reading sentences aloud while Team Member B shadow reads (whisper reads with each partner)

EVENTUALLY...

A reads, B and C track the text

B reads, A and C track the text

C reads, A and B track the text

B reads, A and C track the text

\*Repeat

# Joint Construction of Meaning: Student Pair Reading

*Peer reading has been found to be the best approach to delve into close reading for ELs (Calderon, Slavin, & Sanchez, 2011).*

1. The teacher reads and models strategies for analyzing text.
2. Partner A reads the first sentence. Partner B helps if necessary.
3. Partner B reads the next sentence. Partner A helps if necessary.
4. After each paragraph, the partners collaborate to complete a Magnet Summary (oral or written) for what they have just read and write any questions they still have in the margins.
5. Partners continue until they finish reading the assigned section.

# Joint Construction of Meaning: Silent Reading with Pair Summary

*Silent reading alone has proven ineffective for most low-level readers and ELs (Calderon, 2007; Shanahan, 2012)*

1. Students read one or two paragraph silently.
  2. Students discuss content with a peer and complete a Magnet Summary (oral or written)
- ✓ Peer discussions should be frequent (~every 5 minutes)
  - ✓ The more complex the text, the shorter the silent reading segments before meeting with a partner

# Joint Construction of Meaning: Reciprocal Teaching (0.74 Effect Size)

1. Students work in groups of four
2. Each team member has a role:
  - A. Questioner: Poses questions about unclear parts/information, connections to other concepts, the big picture**
  - B. Summarizer: Highlights key ideas**
  - C. Clarifier: Addresses the confusing parts and attempts to answer the team's questions**
  - D. Connector: Suggests how themes and concepts connect to other texts, theories, processes or solutions**
3. Group reads small sections silently and then stop to summarize and clarify, or to teach each other.

# Joint Construction of Meaning: Reciprocal Teaching

Assign Roles Based on Language Proficiency Levels:

- 1. Questioner: Pre-Emergent, Emergent**
- 2. Summarizer: Basic**
- 3. Clarifier: Low Intermediate**
- 4. Connector: High Intermediate**

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## Helping Students Extend and Apply Knowledge

- Use of graphic organizers to guide students in a comparison
  - Text-to-Illustration
  - Portion of Text-to-Portion of Text
  - Text-to-Text
  - Text-to-Other Forms of Media
  - Text-to-Self
  - Text-to-World

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- Use of graphic organizers to guide students in the classification of information gained from the reading of a text



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# Session Wrap-Up

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